Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, The beginnings of St. Martin's Church of Huron date back to the spring of 1881 when Father Robert Haire, a priest from Aberdeen, rode into town and set about establishing Huron's first Catholic church; and,

WHEREAS, Although the first services were conducted before small gatherings in the Dakota Hotel, it was not long before the first church building was constructed upon land donated by the Chicago and Northwestern Railway; and,

WHEREAS, Throughout the years, there have been many changes at St. Martin's Church. What started as a 30-by-50 foot frame structure for a tiny congregation has expanded into an impressive and inspiring meeting place for a large band of believers; and,

WHEREAS, There have also been many changes in leadership over the church's first one hundred years. Since Father Haire first rode into town, there have been seventeen pastors at St. Martin's; and,

WHEREAS, Despite the many changes, one thing has remained constant: St. Martin's is a church dedicated to bringing strength, solace, and a sense of peace and purpose to its people through the word of God; and,

WHEREAS, On this momentous occasion, the people of St. Martin's Catholic Church deserve special recognition for the impact they have had, not only on history, but on the lives of many South Dakotans:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim October 22 and 23, 1983, as

ST. MARTIN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH DAYS

in South Dakota.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirteenth Day of October, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Three

WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA - BUREAU OF ADMINISTRATION - OFFICE OF RECORDS MANAGEMENT - CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY
THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT THE MICROFILM IS AN ACCURATE REPRODUCTION OF THE ORIGINAL RECORD AND WAS MICROPHOTOGRAPHIC IMAGE APPEARING ON THIS SLIDE OF MICROFILM IS MICROFILMED IN THE REGULAR COURSE OF BUSINESS ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONS OF SOUTH DAKOTA COMPILED LAW 1-27-4. IT IS FURTHER CERTIFIED THAT THE PHOTOGRAPHIC PROCESS USED FOR MICROFILMING OF THE ABOVE RECORDS WAS IN A MANNER AND ON MICROFILM WHICH MEET THE RECOMMENDED REQUIREMENTS OF THE NATIONAL BUREAU OF STANDARDS FOR PERMANENT MICROPHOTOGRAPHIC REPRODUCTIONS. REDUCTION 25 ROLL NO. 4 2-7-84
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